

EXTORTION PLOT CONFESSED BY ONE PRETTY WIFE TRAPS

Two Other Women and Man
Trained by Mrs. Tovey
Defiant in Court.

MARKED BILLS PAID.

Woman, Pleading Guilty, Says
a Scene Was Fixed for
Dr. Tovey's Office.

A young and pretty wife bravely
stood in West Side Police Court to-
day and accused three women and a
man of trying to blackmail her hus-
band, Dr. David W. Tovey of Poly-
clinic Hospital.

When she had sworn to the affi-
davit before Magistrate Simms she
replied and had to be assisted to a
chair. Those accused of the conspir-
acy to extort money from the physi-
cian under threats of being involved

in a scandal stood nearby—one con-
trite and weeping, the others defiant.
Mrs. Alice Harding alone pleaded
guilty, while Mrs. Elizabeth Fergus-
son, Mrs. Ida Reilly and James Reilly
declared their innocence.

Mrs. Tovey communicated with De-
fective Maddocks of the West One
Hundredth street station yesterday
and informed him that her husband
was in the hands of a gang of black-
mailers. The Toveys live in the Har-
court Apartments, No. 220 West
Ninety-eighth street. Mrs. Tovey had
herself trailed the accused women to
No. 633 Lenox avenue.

**WOMEN CALLED ON DOCTOR
FOR TREATMENT.**

Dr. Tovey said he met Mrs. Eliza-
beth Ferguson about two months ago
when she visited the Polyclinic Hospi-
tal as a free patient. Later she
went to his apartment for treatment
and a month ago brought Mrs. Har-
ding with her. During this time Mrs.
Tovey was convalescing from an op-
eration for appendicitis and was rest-
ing in Garden City.

As Dr. Tovey told his story to The
Evening World reporter, his wife broke
in and declared she returned home two
weeks ago, but that it was a week later
before she got an inkling of any trou-
ble brewing. Previously Mrs. Ida
Reilly, a sister of Mrs. Ferguson, was
introduced to the doctor and he de-
clared the three demanded that he give
them \$1,000 or they would ruin his re-
putation with his wife and with Prof.
Brooks H. Wells of Polyclinic Hospital.
In a quandary, he decided not to tell
his wife of the threats.

Last Friday, Mrs. Tovey said, Mrs.
Ferguson and Mrs. Harding visited
the doctor's office in the apartment

house and she overheard them de-
mand money, although they had
dropped to \$500. She said she was
amazed but believed implicitly in her
husband, and without saying any-
thing to him of what she had over-
heard she trailed the woman home
and listened at the keyhole. What
she heard made her blood run cold,
she said, for the women were discus-
sing their demands on Dr. Tovey and
she gathered, she said, that they had
expected Mrs. Tovey to die and Mrs.
Ferguson to marry the physician.

**PAID IN BILLS MARKED BY
DETECTIVES.**

Mrs. Tovey immediately drew \$500
out of a bank, an account in the joint
names of herself and her husband,
fearing he would yield to the women's
demands. Then she called in the de-
fective and told of the alleged plot
to accuse the doctor of an undue in-
timacy.

Anticipating a visit to the doctor,
Mrs. Tovey always she went to the
hospital and met the women, un-
known to her husband, and pretend-
ing to believe their accusations
against him, arranged for Mrs. Har-
ding to call on her Monday.

Detectives Maddocks and L'Heureux
marked three \$100 bills and told Mrs.
Tovey to pay them to Mrs. Harding
when she called. Mrs. Harding came
alone and she handed them to her.
At this point the detectives appeared,
and, after arresting Mrs. Harding,
went to the Lenox avenue house and
took the other two women and Reilly
into custody.

Mrs. Harding then gave her side
of the story. She said she was in-
vited by Mrs. Ferguson to accompany
her to Dr. Tovey's office and that
Mrs. Ferguson told her to wait in an
outer room with the door ajar and
watch what took place in the dining
room. She said it was arranged that
a scene was to be enacted and that

Man and Wife Accusers of Women Named in Extortion Plot



with her support the demand for
money was to be made.
She said she was the wife of the
Coroner of Port Jervis, N. Y., but

FELL UNDER TRUCK WHEN DYING OF HEART DISEASE

Dead When Taken From Under
Wheels by Young Man in
a Dress Suit.

Schuyler Orvis, the twenty-year-old
son of Edwin W. Orvis, a banker, of
No. 55 West Eighty-ninth street, was
walking through Thirty-eighth street,
near Fifth avenue, at 2 o'clock this
morning when he saw a man stagger
and fall in front of a five-ton automo-
bile coal truck belonging to Lord &
Taylor. The fore wheels of the truck
ran over the man before the driver,
Henry F. Miller of No. 130 East Third
street, Brooklyn, could stop it.

Young Mr. Orvis threw aside his
silk hat and in his dress clothes
climbed under the truck and car-
ried out the victim of the accident,
dead.

A pass in the dead man's coat had
been issued to John A. McDonald, an
attendant at the State Hospital for
the insane on Ward's Island, permit-
ting him to use the city ferry to re-
turn to the island. The asylum au-
thorities said McDonald had been al-
lowed a night off and that the pass
was issued to him yesterday.

A number of women returning from
late dances left their automobiles and
joined the crowd which gathered after
the accident. Many of them spoke
sympathetically to Chauffeur Miller,
who was in tears. He was not ar-
rested, as Mr. Orvis and others who
saw the accident said it was unavoid-
able.

Ambulance Surgeon Williams said

that the injuries caused by the auto-
mobile were not enough to have
caused death, and he was inclined to
think that McDonald was stricken
with heart disease before he was
struck.

DINNEANS IN FIGHT FOR JUDGE'S ESTATE

Sister and Widow Claim Stock in
American Light and Traction
Company.

Charges of fraud and collusion be-
tween Catherine Dinnean, sister of
the late Thomas P. Dinnean, a Munici-
pal Court Judge, and his nephew, T.
P. Dinnean, administrator of the late
Judge's estate, are made in a suit
filed in the Supreme Court to-day by
Elizabeth Foy Dinnean, the widow.
She claims that the two defendants
are trying to defraud her of twenty-
three shares of stock in the Ameri-
can Light and Traction Company
which rightfully belong to the estate.

Within a few hours after the filing
of the suit Miss Dinnean, the sister,
filed her answer, in which she claims
absolute ownership of the stock and
charges that some mysterious person
forged an assignment of the stock
so as to make it appear that she
transferred it to her brother.

In asserting her right to the securi-
ties as the widow, Mrs. Dinnean al-
leges that her husband purchased the
stock himself "but for personal rea-
sons" had the certificates issued in
his sister's name.

ALIENATION SUIT ENDS.

Millionaire Settles Case With
Cripple Out of Court.

Just as the Clerk in Justice New-
burger's part of the Supreme Court
was preparing to impanel a jury to-day
to try for a second time the \$50,000
alienation of affection suit brought by
James P. Berney, a hunchback, against
Benjamin Adriaens, millionaire ma-
chinery manufacturer, an announcement
was made by the attorney that the
case had been settled out of court.
On what basis the settlement was
made could not be learned. When the
case was originally tried a year ago,
Berney was awarded \$250, but the
Appellate Division reversed the judg-
ment.

Harlan Heads Commerce Board.
WASHINGTON, March 17.—The Inter-
state Commerce Commission to-day
elected Commissioner James S. Harlan
as Chairman in succession to Commis-
sioner Edward E. Clark. Commissioner
Harlan assumed the duties of chairman
to-day.

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RUSSIAN POLICE HOLD GERMAN AERONAUTS

Berliner and Two Companions Who
Landed on Forbidden Soil in
Jail Since Feb. 10.

BERLIN, March 17.—Hans Ber-
liner, the German aeronaut, has been
imprisoned at Kirgischansk, Russia,
since Feb. 10 on suspicion of espion-
age. Berliner and two companions
landed at Kirgischansk in the Ural
Mountains after a voyage of forty-
seven hours from Blüthenfeld, Ger-
many, creating a distance record of
1,863 miles for spherical balloons. He
and his comrades were immediately
arrested, and in spite of official in-
tercession have been detained there
ever since by the Russian police.

Berliner is anxious to enter the
race for the Gordon Bennett Inter-
national Aeronautical Trophy for
Balloons to be held in the United
States in October. He fears, how-
ever, that he may not be released in
time to make his entry for the elimi-
nation contests for the selection of
German representatives and a letter
received to-day by the director of
the Berlin Aeronautical Society asks
him to make the entry in Berliner's
absence. The letter states that there
is no indication of the aeronauts' re-
lease. They have been 35 days in jail.

YEAR-OLD-BABY COMES FROM GERMANY ALONE

Youngest Transatlantic Voyager
Fails to Recognize Parents
When Liner Docks.

The youngest lone transatlantic voy-
ager on record arrived in the port of
New York to-day aboard the steamship
Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm of the North
German Lloyd. Harry Jager, a year
old, was the young traveler. Harry
was well taken care of aboard the liner
and had no lack of mothers, for every
woman on the ship "wanted to hold
him just a minute."

Six months ago Mr. and Mrs. J. B.
Jager, the parents of Harry, decided to
leave their home in Hamburg and come
to America. Harry was ill and the pa-
rents decided not to risk him on an
ocean voyage, so the baby was left in
the care of relatives. Papa and Mama
Jager have been yearning for their boy
and asked that he be sent to them.
The baby was placed in the care of
Mrs. Hilda Schmidt, a stewardess.

The first persons to rush up the
gangplank when the steamer made
fast at her Hoboken pier were the
parents of Harry. Complications at
once arose. Harry did not recognize
his parents. He wanted to remain
with the stewardess and set up a lusty
howl. When last seen Harry was still
making vehement protests at what he
evidently supposed was kidnapping.

DEATH MYSTERY CLEARED.

Coroner Finds Man Had Assumed

Name of His Second Wife.
An investigation completed to-day by
Coroner Vogel of Queens County estab-
lished that a man who died at Union
Course under suspicious circumstances
was really John Kausinger and not
John Hanson, the name by which he
was known to his neighbors. The in-
vestigation also showed that Kausinger
died from natural causes and not from
poison, as had been insinuated.
There appeared before the Coroner a
woman who said she was Kausinger's
first wife and that she had been re-
ceiving \$5 a week alimony from him.
He had married again and was living
in Union Course with his second wife
whose maiden name was Hanson. For
purposes of her own she had assumed
this name.

Williamson Freed by Magistrate.
Reuben Williamson, a commission
merchant, of No. 112 South Portland
avenue, Brooklyn, was discharged as
not guilty to-day by Magistrate Lord in
Coney Island Court. Mr. Williamson had
been charged with driving an automo-
bile under the influence of intoxicants
Feb. 11. The arrest followed an ac-
cident in which Mr. Williamson and two
of his friends were hurt. Dr. Mun-
chitnick, who attended them, testified
that there was no indication that he
had been intoxicated at the time of the
accident.

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